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Buttitta selected as Deputy Inspector General for OIG

In June, agency Inspector General Cris Love announced the selection of Joseph Buttitta as deputy director for the Office of the Inspector General. The OIG is an independent office which reports directly to the TBCJ, and serves as TDCJ's primary law enforcement and investigative entity.

Buttitta has more than 34 years of law enforcement and criminal justice experience, in-



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cluding 24 years with the Houston Police Department. He began his TDCJ career in 2008, when he accepted a posi-

tion as an OIG regional captain. Since then, he has served as commander of the Investigations Department and, most recently, as director of investigations.

Buttitta graduated from the FBI National Academy, is certified by the Association of Inspector Generals, and holds a Master Peace Officer certification from the Texas Commission on Law Enforcement.

TDCJ Inspector General Cris Love commended the selection, saying, "Joe's extensive background in law enforcement and supervisory experience will be a big benefit to OIG moving forward. Please join me in congratulating him and offer him your support as he assumes this new leadership role."